

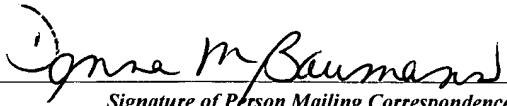


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| Invention: SPRING TIP CAP | | | | | | |
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RESPONSE TO MAY 17, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed by the USPTO on May 17, 2005 (the "Office Action"), please amend the above-identified patent application as set forth herein.

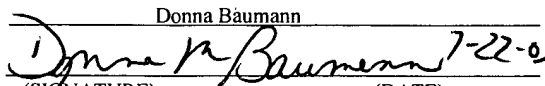
Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the complete listing of the claims which begins on page 11 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are described on page 17 of this paper and reflected in the **Appendix** attached hereto.

Remarks begin on page 18 of this paper.

Appendix A is attached hereto in which replacement and annotated drawing sheets are provided.

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